













## BOW-LEGGED BOY

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**CHICAGO.**

**THE GRAND JURY.**  
**YESTERDAY'S DELIBERATION.**

The chief topic of conversation in the Grand Jury room yesterday was whisky. It was evident from the start that the members meant business, as they strode into their apartment

manufacturers of whisky who had deviated from

the path of retreat. They were on hand, too, at a seasonable hour, and when called in by the police, they were found to be the first order of business, of course, consisted in lighting cigars and striking attitudes that were at once comfortable and picturesque. This done, a short period of repose was necessary. In the meantime, the young man from the District Attorney and the Government counsel. These gentlemen appeared soon. As they approached the Argosy, a young man who guarded the door, stepped on the young man's foot, and the latter, in a moment of indignation, exclaimed: "Are there any reporters around?" "No, sir," replied the doorman with Campbello's politeness.

"Are you sure?" continued Mr. Dexter, at the same time looking at the floor and wall of the corridor, and carefully lifting up the doorman's foot.

"I haven't seen any this morning," answered the young man.

"Well," said Mr. Dexter, with an accent of surprise, "I have seen you in the hall before."

the building.

With which dictum he strove impressively.

The consequence of this order was that the fourth story of the Custom-House in New York was the scene of a most extraordinary occurrence. Occasionally some person interested in whiskey would mount the stairs and ascend the spiral staircase to the top of the building, and then descend to the doors of the jury, but each person speedily found it convenient to make a detour.

At length, however, a man dressed from head to foot in black, their consultation-room being on the same floor. One of the first arrivals of the morning was a stout, middle-aged man.

W. S. GOLDEN,

the rectifier, whose recent misdeeds have been the subject of much newspaper comment, was introduced about an hour, and it is supposed that the object of the conference was to arrange for the removal of the man to the city of New York, and to give him the benefit of the doubt.

At the coming trials, During his imprisonment in the detective's room, Leonard was guarded by a number of men, and was kept in the building.

Inquiring anxiously, "Has anybody seen Gold?"

He is Golden's alibi.

At the preliminary examination the Grand Jury called in.

LEONARD'S ALIBI.

It is testimony concerning his knowledge of whiskey. It may be stated here that the jury have reached a verdict of guilty.

The witnesses who have been summoned heretofore were men whose testimony

The evidence was entirely in regard to the man

the safekeeping and disposal of colossal quantities of munitions, and the investigation and receipt of the same. This portion of the investigation may now be said to have closed. What remains to be done is to determine the responsibility attaching to the Government officials, who, either through negligence or through lack of capacity in their capacity as governors, or through fraud or collusion with the conspirators, have allowed the Government to be defrauded in this manner.

The first witness in this portion of the investigation was Superintendent Nathan. Being called into the jury-room, he stated, in answer to the formal formula of questions, that he had been in the United States Penitentiary for the State of Pennsylvania, and had come to Chicago in the month of May, 1873, under orders of the United States Marshal, to act as a guard for the purpose of making seizures of a number of distilleries which were reported to be in the possession of the conspirators. In connection with his instructions he, in conjunction with the revenue officers of this city, named William Parker, R. M. Boella, Yunker & Co., Byron Seagrass, and the rectifying house of John Schaefer, and the distillery of John A. B. Supervisor Munroe, Mr. Washburn, Deputy Collector Hoyt, and Messrs. Arenz, Brown and Kuntz, proceeded to the distillery of the collector at the time. After settling the manner in which the seizures were to be made, Mr. Truitt procured a number of men, and gave them his knowledge and instructions as officers of the Government. The principal part

Collector of Internal Revenue. From an ex-

ination of the books of several distillers, it was ascertained that the books of the latter must have been collation between Gault and distillers, but also between distillers and the Revenue. The books of the latter were barrels of whiskey which had been shipped without any voucher therefore upon the Revenue books. The Revenue books were accounted for them, as far as it went, but the course of his investigations he discovered that the books of the distillers and the books were missing from the Revenue office. The matter remained unexplained for a long time, but finally the Revenue books were carried away with the connivance of Minty, spirit-stamp clerk.

Dutton proceeded to go over the list of the

WHISKY RINGS

in this city, so far as he has been able to get from the disclaimers of the books and papers found in the distilleries. As stated above, the names of the distillers were not in the books.

In order to accommodate Supervisors Gault who was obliged to leave town in the afternoon, the jury adjourned until 10 o'clock, instead of adjourning at noon, in accordance with their custom. His testimony concerning the commission and the had finished the jury adjourned.

It was rumored about the Crawford-Homes in this case that the evidence had been perjured. This was not founded on fact.

called upon soon to tell what he knows.

FRANCIS A. TOWNER.

AN IMPORTANT WITNESS REFERRING HIS WIFE  
TOWNER in Room 22 of the Custom-House,  
found him rather brusquely engaged in looking  
books and papers and making somewhat op-  
memoranda of their contents. The reporter  
recognized the gentleman as the well-known  
bookdealer of the Illinois Fuel and Drilling Com-  
pany and was received by Mr. Towner with a  
considerable degree of cordiality. Having in-  
quired before the gentleman was very ready to  
at times, the reporter broached the subject,  
was given to understand that such  
information as he was able to furnish would  
recollection of certain matters preparatory  
and ordant.

Q—Have you any idea as to what mat-  
tery will examine you?

A—Well, I suppose I should be called a  
bookman in any way. I have books in this of-  
fice here and I was here.

Q—In what capacity, and for how long a  
time were you in the office?

A—It was the spirit-stamp clerk in the  
towner's office from about the 1st of August.







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